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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of 20 September 2004, this response being timely as the period set for a response is due to expire on 20 October 2004, consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. No fees are believed to be due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.